

Vision Prevention & Public Education Committee
Meeting Minutes for November 9, 2001
Host Airport Hotel
Sacramento, California
10:00am – 4:30pm

I. Introductions

Members Present: Jan Ogar (ENA), Chris Ryther (AMR), Ray Mosack (Cal Chiefs), Fred Claridge (Alameda EMS), Beth Sise (Trauma), Barb Alberson (DHS), and Lois Williams (EMSA).

Non-Members Present: Bonnie Sinz (EMSA), Miranda Swanson (EMSA) and Andrea Zeboski.

The minutes from the last meeting were accepted with changes. The revised minutes are posted on EMSA's website.

II. Agenda

?? Report from the Vision Office

1. The Gray Book final copies are now being distributed to the committee and constituent groups.
2. Regarding the System Standards and Guidelines Revisions, some issues will take longer to address; thus, making it necessary for the revisions to be done in 2 phases. Final Comments from the Prevention Committee are due by September 2002.
3. As for the State EMS Plan, an early draft has been developed and is going through preliminary review from Dan Smiley, Richard Watson and the EMSA staff. It will be completed by December 2003.
4. At the next Prevention meeting, the committee will begin to gather ideas for the System Standards & Guidelines and Jan will begin to draft language.

?? State Prevention Structure

1. It was suggested by Jan that the committee begin to look at their progress in terms of legacy planning, and how to make Vision continue.
2. There was discussion on how to address this issue:
Suggestions:
 - ~~EMSA~~ EMSA should redirect money for a Prevention Coordinator.
 - ~~There~~ There should be personnel at the state level and an advisory group.
 - ~~Establish~~ Establish a grant to pool data to show that there is a problem that needs to be addressed.
 - ~~Along~~ Along with the job position proposition, there needs to be a funding piece, a coordination piece, etc. in order to turn it over to the Commission for approval.

Barb, Lois, and Ed will look at national information to find out the structures of other states and will report back to the committee at the next meeting.

?? **Data Points – Bonnie Sinz**

1. Regarding the data elements, the ad hoc committee made several adjustments. They will be submitted to the ad hoc committee again on December 14.
2. Bonnie passed out a draft of the data elements for the group to review.
3. The committee decided on a “yes, no, maybe” approach for the survey. Several changes were made to the document that Bonnie noted and will take to the ad hoc group.

?? **Templates**

1. The templates will be finalized today and given to Ed to be posted on the website.
2. Ed needs the templates in a format such as Word, RTF, etc.

At the next meeting, it was requested that the sub-committee membership lists be identified and clarified.

The group then met in their sub-committees.

?? **Committee Reports**

Data Points

1. The templates are completed. Fred will email them to Sharon and Jan for review.
2. Ed suggested that some key words be developed for compound queries.
3. It will be posted on the EMSA website as “Suggested Injury Surveillance Tools.”

Registry

1. Ed will set up a registry in draft format for Prevention and Wellness.
2. Jan will formally request a link to have the programs possibly as early as December.

Public Education, Personnel Training and Wellness

1. The sub-committee organized the linkages.
2. Lois will survey local EMS agencies and training programs to determine the extent of training available in injury prevention and public education.
3. Ray will research funding topics and sources.
4. At the next meeting, the agenda will include time to discuss funding sources.

?? Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for January 25, from 10:00am – 4:00pm in San Diego.

At the next meeting, the committee will put together a yearly schedule of meetings.